

## Glorious News!



**J. R. RACE & CO.**

HAVE NOW ON SALE THE

**Best \$10 Suits Ever Shown in City**

Also, a Complete Line of Nobby and Well-made Suits of all prices.

**We have the Largest Stock of Overcoats**

TO SELECT FROM, AT PRICES THAT

**DEFY COMPETITION!**

AND WE MEAN WHAT WE SAY.

**OUR FURNISHING GOODS DEPARTMENT!**

IS ALWAYS COMPLETE. ALL THE LATEST STYLES IN

**Neckwear, Gloves, Hosiery, UNDERWEAR.**

**STETSON'S HATS, CAPS,**

**TRUNKS, VALISES, &c.**

**ALSO, WE LEAD IN MERCHANT TAILORING.**

ELEGANT PATTERNS FOR SUITS ALWAYS ON HAND.

GOOD FIT WARRANTED. PRICES LOW

**OUR PLATFORM IS Fair, Square and Honorable Dealings, Protection to our Patrons, Eternal Warfare against Monopoly and High Prices.**

**J. R. RACE & CO.**

Oct. 26, 1880-d&wtf

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## Great Advantage!

Of trading **STRICTLY FOR CASH**, is being fully appreciated by the **LARGE CROWDS** who are daily securing the **TREMENDOUS BARGAINS** now shown at the

**POPULAR NEW YORK STORE!**

A run through the market with cash in hand has secured for us—

**7,480 yds. of wide heavy Winter Dress Goods,** to be sold at 12 1/2 cts. These goods have fine all-wool filling; colors black and dark seal brown. Manufacturers take a heavy loss on them, as they cost 12 1/2 cts. a yard to make.

**Over 10,000 yds. of Fancy Cotton Dress Goods,** in beautiful New Styles. Prices range from 6 1/2 cts. a yard up to 10, and choice 12 1/2 cts.

**Superb Assortment of Black French Cashmeres,** all wool, from 37 1/2 to 75 cents; no fancy prices, but every piece a decided bargain.

**Heavy Black Gros Grain Trimming Silks,** 50 cts.; worth 75 cts. **BEAUTIFUL BLACK SATIN** at 75 cts. and \$1.00; worth \$1.00 and \$1.25.

**All the Novelties in Fancy and Brocade Trimmings,** at greatly reduced prices.

**Beautiful Dress Buttons, at 5, 8, 10 to 15 cts.** a dozen.

**Complete Assortment of Ribbons, at Lowest** New York prices.

**A large line of Gloves, Ruches, Ties, Veilings, Fichus, Laces, Jet Back Combs and fashionable Jet Hair Ornaments.** Prices temptingly low. Hosiery, from 5c a pair up to the best all-wool, and a good assortment of every kind.

**Bargains in Merino Underwear of all kinds,** bargains in Canton Flannels, Sheetings, Jeans, &c.

**Special inducements in Fashionable Dolmans,** Cloaks, Shawls, Blankets and all Woolen Goods.

**Elegant Assortment of Knit Hoods, very cheap.**

And so we might keep on enumerating all day and then miss the very thing you want; but, no matter what it is, rest assured we have got it, and at the right price, too. So come and see us anyway and bring this advertisement along, as we offer a reward to any one who can find a single word or figure in our announcements that may seem to be in the least degree deceptive or misleading, you will find us square, and goods and prices satisfactory, or money cheerfully returned. **THESE ARE FAIR and EASY TERMS WHICH NO OTHER HOUSE WILL OFFER EXCEPT THE**

**POPULAR NEW YORK STORE,**

**21 WATER STREET.**

Decatur, Ill., Dec. 8, 1880.

### CHRISTMAS.

"Like charms to lull the dying year,  
The Christmas bells are pealing;  
And hark! Once more from yonder sky  
The angel's song is ringing.  
For eighteen hundred years and more  
That strain of peace and glory  
Has come to glad the hearts of men,  
To tell the blessed story!

"Sing on, sweet angels; though your song  
Floats down to zones of sorrow,  
Ye tell of peace, good will to men—  
Be this the strain we borrow.  
The Christ whom ye proclaim is here,  
And shall we naught afford Him?  
Yes, rather in His starving poor,  
By love we owe restored him."

### CHALK YOUR HAT.

The cant phrase "Chalk your hat," which is still current in many parts of the Union, is said to have had its origin in a literal illustration of the words. "Admiral," Reeside was an owner of the various lines of stage coaches in the days before railroads. He spent much of his time in Washington, where, indeed, he lived for several years. At the annual adjournment of Congress he would pass his friends of the House and Senate—he was well acquainted with all the prominent politicians of his era—over any stage line he controlled. He would say to an Ohioan or Kentuckian:

"I suppose you're going back to Cincinnati or Louisville, and I'll pass you through by stage."  
When he was asked, "How?" he would reply, "Give me your hat." He would take the hat, make a callabatic chalk-mark on it impossible to counterfeit, and return it with the remark:

"That will serve your turn; any of my agents will recognize that anywhere, and won't receive a cent from the man whose hat is so marked."

Reeside was right. All his agents knew the mark at once. The thing became so common that some fellows tried to imitate it, but they were invariably detected and compelled either to leave the stage or pay their fare. In the South and West "Chalk your hat" still stands as a mark of the East styles dead heading—*New York Times.*

### Half of That, if You Please.

When young Jeff first came to town his father told him that it would be polite to say to his host when being helped to dinner, "Half of that, if you please." It so happened that at the first dinner to which he was invited a sucking pig was one of the dishes. The host pointing with his knife to the young porker asked, "Well, Mr. Jeff, will you have this, our favorite dish, or a haunch of mutton?" Upon which, recollecting his first lesson, he replied, "Half that, if you please," to the consternation of all present.

"Any letter for me?" asked a young lady of the female postmaster, in a country town. "No," was the reply. "Strange," said the young lady aloud to herself as she turned away. "Nothing strange about it," cried the female postmaster, through the delivery window, "you hadn't answered the last letter he sent you!"

A Word to Our Readers.  
When you read of a remedy that will cure all diseases beware of it, but when you read of a pure vegetable compound which claims to cure only certain parts of the body, and furnishes high proof that it does this, you can safely try it and with the assurance that it will help you. This is just what Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure does. It cures all troubles of the lower portion of the body and none others. It will not help the toothache, ear-ache nor consumption, but it will put your body in a vigorous and healthy state where you can enjoy life and appreciate its good things. Try it. For sale by druggists.

My life was saved by Warner's Safe Kidney and Liver Cure.—E. B. LAKELY, Selma, Ala.  
For sale by druggists. dec23 d&wtf

U. F. McCARTHY, wholesale and retail druggist, Ottawa, Ontario, writes: "I was afflicted with chronic rheumatism for some years, but have been completely cured by the use of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, in doses of five drops on sugar. I have also pleasure in recommending it as an excellent remedy for external use." For sale by Dr. A. J. Stoner. dec21

Bulk Handkerchiefs.  
An elegant assortment, in large variety and quantity. CHAPMAN STONE, 10-d&wtf

Change of Residence.  
Peter Perl, the undertaker, has removed his residence from West Wood street to the building two doors south of May's grocery store, on South Main street. Calls by night or day will receive prompt attention. Mr. Perl has recently purchased this property, and will improve it for his permanent home. dec 7-d&wtf

The Comfort Patent Corset—Bor-tor's Adjustable, Foy's Supporter, Moody's Abdominal, Glove Fitting, Hundred Bones, together with the best and cheapest French Corsets in the city, at Jan 2-d&wtf LINN & SCHEIDT

The celebrated Baker breech-loading shot gun, also a new line of muzzle-loaders and ammunition for sale at bottom prices at KOSMERY & O'NEILL'S, two doors east of postoffice. Oct. 23-d&wtf

Nricker plated 7-Shooters at \$1.00, and other goods in proportion, at the new gun store, two doors east of postoffice. Oct. 22-d&wtf

J. M. STOOKEY & Co. have a large lot of steel engravings on sale for a short time. Now is your opportunity to purchase. Nov. 19-d&wtf

An elegant assortment of Swiss Carved Goods, suitable for wooden weddings and other occasions, at J. M. Stookey & Co.'s. Nov. 19-d&wtf

If you want mill feed, corn or oats you can be supplied at SHELLBARGER'S Dec. 18-d&wtf

Reduce your shoe bills by buying of Barber & Baker. d&wtf

## B. STINE,

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## "Boss Clothier!"

OFFERS TO THE TRADE THE LARGEST STOCK OF

**Overcoats, Ulsters and Ulsterettes**

IN MEN'S, YOUTHS, BOYS' and CHILDREN'S.

EVER EXHIBITED IN THIS MARKET.

**OUR ASSORTMENT IS SIMPLY IMMENSE,**

**OUR PRICES DEFY ANY AND ALL COMPETITION.**



\$5.00 will buy a substantial Overcoat.

\$7.50 buys a Dressy Overcoat.

\$10.00 takes a Stunner.

\$12.50 buys a Fine Beaver.

Our \$15.00 Coat is simply immense.

\$18.00, \$20.00 and \$22.00 buys the finest

Ready-made Overcoats in market.

In short, we can suit you, please you, fit you, and all your friends. Bring them in and take yourself along with them. Always on hand.

**B. STINE,**  
**The "Boss Clothier!"**

Dealer in all kinds of

**CLOTHING!**

For Men, Youths, Boys and Children, and plenty to go around.  
Nov. 12, 1880-d&wtf

### Emporium of Fashion.

New Millinery and Notions at Bear & Eisenstein's. We have this day received a beautiful line of Millinery and Notions—the finest ever shown in Decatur—in which we offer special bargains from date until the holidays, in order to give everybody a chance to buy. Remember, our entire stock is new and of the very latest styles. We have no old goods to sell. Our stock embraces a handsome line of trimmed bonnets and hats, for ladies and children, ranging in price from 50 cents to \$15; also a full line of notions and ladies' furnishings goods. Please call, examine our stock and learn our prices, and we will convince you that we offer bargains.

Dec. 1 d&wtf BEAR & EISENSTEIN.

### Feed Store.

I am running a first-class feed store at my old stand, near the post office. Hay, corn, oats, and all kinds of ground and mill feed, at mill prices delivered at any place in the city. R. N. HAM nov. 4 d&wtf

If you want cheap books go to J. T. Hand & Co., they will undersell any price quoted. 20-nov

### Special Inducements.

In Dolmans, Cloaks and Hosiery. Our stock for variety and quality cannot be excelled, and our prices not approached. See and price them. CHAPMAN STONE, 10-d&wtf

Asht and Armand, Are two of the best and coal base burners in the market, at Sept 17-d&wtf ASHBY & ANDREWS

The Argand is the prettiest stove in the market. Call and see it at our place, at Ashby & Andrews' Sept. 17-d&wtf

We want your custom, and think we can offer you inducements if you will come and see us, which will be sufficient to satisfy you that our store is the best place in town to trade. Bargains are to be had every day this spring. d&wtf BARBER & BAKER

Largest line of Albums at Stookey & Co.'s dec6-d&wtf

CHRISTMAS CARDS at Stookey & Co.'s. Dec 4-d&wtf

THE PAST has proved them, the present sustains them, and the future can but confirm them as the best—Bachelors' Worm Lozenges. 25 cents per box. Warranted. For sale by A. J. Stoner and J. T. Hubbard. Oct. 2-d&wtf

Come and see the new style self-adjusting skates at KOSMERY & O'NEILL'S, be fore purchasing elsewhere, also a complete line of Burey & Bly skates kept on hand, all at bottom prices. 2 doors east of P. O. 1-d&wtf

TINWARE and everything for house keeping at Ashby & Andrews' Aug 6 d&wtf

To all who desire to purchase steel engravings, there is an extraordinary opportunity offered to make a selection at J. M. Stookey & Co.'s. They have an immense stock on sale for a short time. Nov. 19-d&wtf

Go to A. J. Stoner's for Mrs. Freeman's An-timonial Dye. For brightness and durability of color are unequalled. Color from 2 to 5 pounds Price 15 cents. d&wtf

"COMMON SENSE" SHOES, stylish and comfortable, at J. W. BAKER'S (Nov 27 d&wtf

As we do not intend to handle toys we will pay more attention to books, and have the best selected stock ever shown in Decatur. T. HANN & Co. 20-nov-d&wtf

Dry stove wood and Du Quoin coal at McClelland's coal yard. ad&wtf

Largest line of Christmas cards at Stookey & Co.'s dec6-d&wtf SEE the "Common Sense" Shoes, at J. W. Baker's. Nov 27 d&wtf

### Butterick's Patterns.

The January styles in Butterick's Metropolitan Fashion just received by Dec 17-d&wtf LINN & SCHEIDT

GENTLEMEN'S FINE SLIPPERS, at Nov. 10-d&wtf J. W. BAKER'S

CHARACTERISTIC SHOES at J. W. Baker's Nov. 27-d&wtf

### RHEUMATIC CURE

**Dr. BOSANKO'S**  
FILE REMEDY  
AN ABSOLUTE CURE.

### TESTIMONY.

The Cashier of the First National Bank, Troy, O., says: Dr. Bosanko's Medicine Co., Troy, O., December 20, 1879.  
Gentlemen—I was troubled with Rheumatism last spring in the acute form so badly that I was unable to use my hand. Through the recommendations of my friends, I was induced to try your Rheumatic Cure, which immediately began to soothe, comfort, and allay the pain and in a short time I was relieved of this distressing disease. I take great pleasure in recommending this valuable remedy to those similarly afflicted.  
Yours respectfully, F. M. L. WERDITH.  
These remarks speak for themselves. To try them is to be cured. If you can't get them from your Druggist, send him a dollar and you will receive four bottles of the Rheumatic Cure, or send the file remedy, by express prepaid. This plan is a boon for shipping.  
FREE—Dr. Bosanko's Treatise on Rheumatism and Piles sent on application.  
Address THE DR. BOSANKO MEDICINE CO., PIQUA, OHIO.

**THE DR. BOSANKO MEDICINE CO.,**  
**PIQUA, OHIO.**

**BLENZ & DANZEISEN**

**BUTCHERS**

—AND—

**PACKERS.**

—A NEW STOCK OF—

**SMOKED AND CURED MEATS.**

**WEST SIDE OF THE OLD SQUARE**

**HAMS.**

Hams, from 18 lbs and upwards, 11 cents; under 18 pounds, 12 1/2 cts. Sugar-Cured Shoulders, 8 cents, Lard, 10 cts.  
Breakfast Bacon, Dried Beef, Bologna and Lard at Wholesale and Retail.

**FRESH MEATS**

Of all kinds on hand. We kill only first-class stock.

## "CHEAP CHARLEY'S" CORNER.



**We Have an Immense Quantity of Them!**

And we will sell them at GOOD QUALITY, AND STYLE, COMBINED WITH LOW PRICES. IS AN INDUCEMENT WE MEAN.

**OUR OVERCOATS AND SUITS,**

FOR MEN, BOYS OR CHILDREN,

OF OUR OWN MANUFACTURING, and so I wish only a manufacturer's profit.

THIS season is a peculiar season. Some clothing men who say their goods

from Manufacturers and Jobbers, had to put an inferior article of clothing, such as Sateen, Union Cloth or "Sandy," in their stock, for the sake of apparently meeting the prices which we, as manufacturers of our own goods, quote for our all-wool garments. Only our close attention to the manufacturing, and to the market, enables us to guarantee the articles sold, and to uphold the rule (which we were the first to establish in the west), of returning the money for anything bought of us and not satisfactory after taken if returned not soiled.

AS FORMERLY WE ONLY SOLICIT INSPECTION and COMPARISON

OUR GOODS AND PRICES DO THE TALKING!

**"CHEAP CHARLEY."**

Cor. East Main & Water Sts. DECATUR.

Factory—Chicago, Ill. Oct. 27-d&wtf

### KAUFMANN & BACHRACH

Manufacturers of

**MEN'S and BOYS' Clothing!**

Dealers in

Goods for Men's Wear.

Cor. East Main & Water Sts. DECATUR.

Factory—Chicago, Ill. Oct. 27-d&wtf

Not wealth, nor birth, nor rank nor state, But GET RIGHT UP AND GIT that makes men great.

TRADE MARK. Wm. Peterson Del.

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